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Neighborhood Forum with Glendale Fire

Councilmember Gary Sherwood of the Saharo District will host his next Neighborhood meeting with Glendale Firefighters in this open format forum. The first part of the meeting will be about fire safety and how Glendale citizens can help during the summer months.

The second portion of the forum will address any general city/district issues or concerns from residents. Councilmember Sherwood is looking forward to discussing fire safety and city issues with Glendale Firefighters as well as Saharo residents. Upon request, fire station tours will be available after the forum. It will be held at

Fire Station 159 (17159 N 63rd Ave, Glendale, AZ 85308) on July 22, from 5:30-7:00 pm.

SOUND-OFF QUESTION.

Here's another sampling of the Arizona Republic's "sound-off" which runs in Saturday's Glendale community section asking West Valley elected officials to weigh in on that week's question.

Peoria, Buckeye and Goodyear will pursue a mid-decade Census count this summer. What is your best guess at your city's current population and where do you expect it to be in 2020? What area

SHERWOOD'S ADVISORY GROUP

Councilmember Sherwood is putting together an advisory board and he wants you to be a part of it! This group will exist mostly through emails, in which the councilmember will run ideas past the group and ask for input and opinion.

If you are interested in being part of Sherwood's Advisory Group (SAG) or would like more information, please email Emily Michael with your name, contact information, and any affiliation (business, community member, etc) at emichael@glendaleaz.com.

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Greetings Saharo Residents,



growth and how is your city preparing?

Current population is estimated at 235,600 and I would estimate it to be around 241,000 in 2020. We are a city that is pretty much land locked; a city of 56 square miles in size with our Municipal Planning area (potential) of 90 square miles. The challenge is always getting the right mix of commercial, industrial, and residential. With ten miles (five miles each side) of the new I-303 in our preview along with two and a half miles of Northern Parkway and the continued recovery along the three mile stretch of the I-101 in our sports and entertainment area there is so much potential to front each of these corridors with commercial/industrial with rooftops adjoining. Water and sewer providers have been mostly secured for these developing areas. The city is actively working on the General Plan "Envision Glendale 2040" with a citizen's task force. This is scheduled to go to the voters for approval in August 2016.

COMING UP

Glendale Fire Department Helps Kids Get Back To School with Supplies. Glendale Firefighters are kicking off our 2015 Back to School Supply Drive. All of this to benefit low income children attending school in Glendale. The goal is to fill 500 backpacks with the essentials needed for these kids to be successful. For more information, contact Cecil Tudor, President of Glendale Fire Charities, at glendalefirecharities@yahoo.com or call 928-300-0602.

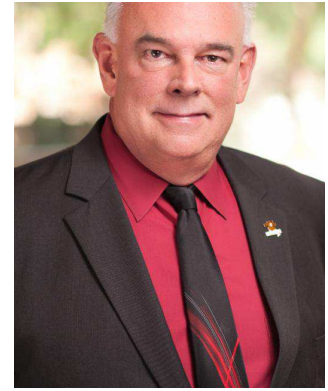
Drop off locations:

Now until August 8th: any Glendale Fire Station
Aug. 1st-8th: Target on 43rd and Peoria (10404 N 43rd Ave, Glendale, AZ) with our antique fire truck.

Downtown Glendale Gets Jolly For Christmas In July Event. Historic Downtown Glendale is creating a holiday vibe on Saturday, July 18 to celebrate the city's 9th annual

Arrowhead Town Center Grand Re-Opening of Mall Retailers this Sunday (19th) from 12:00p - 3:00p - Arrowhead Towne Center is getting a makeover and so are many of their stores. Just in time for back to school shopping, a special event will commemorate the grand re-openings of several retailers including Tilly's, Hot Topic, Zumiez, Torrid, Claire's and more.

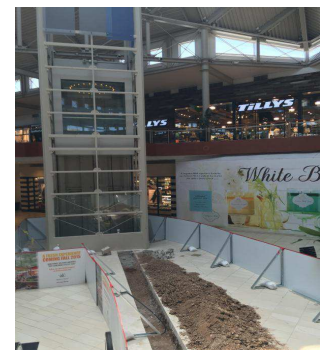
Mall stores will have special events and offers throughout the weekend including hair styling, makeup application, fall fashion trends and giveaways. Exclusive offers, including an Arizona Broadway Theatre Gift with Purchase will continue throughout the back to school shopping season.



Head lining the event will be singer and actress, Sabrina Carpenter. Best known for her role as rebellious Maya Hart on Girl Meets World, Carpenter will be signing autographs in Dick's Sporting Goods Court from 12-2:30pm. Guests can start to line-up as early as 6am in Dick's Sporting Goods Court and may bring one of their own items for autographing or a photo print will be provided (while supplies last).

The 1.2 million-square-foot Arrowhead Towne Center offers a smart collection of top brands anchored by Dick's Sporting Goods, Dillard's, Forever 21, Macy's, Sears and soon, H&M. Powerful destination retailers include Apple, M.A.C., Coach, Sephora, LEGO and a freshly renovated, 14-screen AMC Theatres with plush recliners. The center is in the midst of an impressive redevelopment that will bring a fresh look and feel to the mall this fall and a 25,000square foot H&M in 2016.

For more information on our Back to School Celebration and/or Arrowhead Towne Center's renovation, visit ATCrenovation.com. Guests are also encouraged to experience a new level of personalized service - Text Concierge. Recently launched, this immediate-response text program is designed to help shoppers find stores, get gift ideas, learn about events, schedule a beauty appointment, and much more. Text 623-227-4227 to try this new program.



Coyotes/Arena Management Situation - I've been asked wherever I go lately about the Coyote's and what is currently taking place with the arena management contract. There's not a lot less coy today so any information council has been going to

will enjoy a fun-filled day of holiday crafts, sweet treats and exclusive deals from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in Old Towne and Catlin Court, a visit with Santa Claus, as well as an opportunity to donate to a summer water drive. Christmas cheer **begins at the Glendale Visitor Center, 5800 W. Glenn Drive, suite 140**, where you'll pick up a holiday gift bag with downtown discounts, an event map and a holiday themed gift item for the first 250 visitors.

The event also features a **bottled water donation drive**. In partnership with the Glendale Fire Department and the city's Operation Safe Summer campaign, visitors are encouraged to bring a donation of bottled water to the event. Donations are also being accepted at all Glendale fire stations. Water will be distributed through Maricopa Association of Government's Heat Relief Network, to the most vulnerable populations in the region.

ECONOMIST VIEW

Here's a couple of blog post from national economists, Dr. Elliot Eisenberg.

Expensive Entitlements

In FY 2014, Medicare, Medicaid and other healthcare programs accounted for 25% of federal government spending, Social Security was 24%, welfare and other entitlements claimed 11%, and interest on the debt was 7%. That leaves 30% for discretionary spending. But defense was 17%, leaving just 13% of the budget or \$443 billion for all other programs. Coincidentally, that \$443 billion almost equals the FY 2014 budget deficit of \$483 billion.

since the majority of council voted on June 10th to cancel the contract (I was one of two to vote against this) has been held in executive session. I can however set this up by going into a bit of history.

Back in the days of the vehicle dealerships along Glendale Ave. the city derived a good amount of their sales tax revenue from these businesses. As the 101 came in the dealerships began moving out to the "new vehicle row" just west of the 101 on Bell Road. However before that occurred, Arrowhead Town Center was just opening up in October of '93 which would eventually replace the dealerships as our primary sales tax generator. For about ten years there was an overlap as the dealerships moved away and the Bell Road corridor anchored by the Town Center built up.

Next came the General Plan, voted on by the citizens in 2002 which had in it the creation of building another sales tax generator, hence Westgate and the Sports and Entertainment district, to further take the tax burden off the citizens of Glendale. I'm not sure that experiment went exactly to plan but I give the then council and staff credit for the vision. As far as execution, well, let's say there have been a few missteps as well as the tanking of the economy coinciding with the Coyotes having to go bankrupt.

Generally speaking, stadiums and arenas to not generate a profit in it themselves but they become a stimulus for the surrounding area. The city, including council erred when it didn't bring in a consultant to deal with prospective buyers when the Coyotes did go bankrupt. This saga went on for four years and just like when you're trying to sell something, the asking price and terms become more favorable to the buyer as time goes on. This could have easily been handled in much, much lessor time.

The reason for supporting the deal two years ago because I didn't want to see the demise of Westgate, I didn't want to see the loss of future development in the area and I didn't want to see the arena boarded up. That takes us to June 10th when a super majority of council voted to cancel the contract over a state statute which says that within three years of the execution of a contract, the City may cancel said contract if any person significantly involved in initiating, negotiating, securing, drafting, or creating the contract on behalf of the City is, at any time while the contract is in effect, an employee or agent of any other party to the contract in any capacity or a consultant to any other party of the contract with respect to the subject matter of the contract. To date, council has seen no evidence.

We have no plan B or C. If the city had a problem with this statute and wanted to make some changes to the contract, then it should have been an issue between the two parties and not fought out in public. Request for proposals and the general consensus show that the management fee to run an arena like the Gila River Arena goes in the neighborhood of \$6M. The current contract was structured to pay out \$15M with revenue streams coming back in pegged at \$9M, so a net cost to the city of \$6M which would be offset by new businesses coming into the area like Tanger Outlet Mall. Also, the revenue stream did not include sales tax generated in the arena building or at Westgate during event days.

So to quickly summarize, in my opinion and I think I'm pretty well researched on this, if the Coyotes leave Glendale, I don't see how we replace 42 dates of a current average of 42% from



per game. I don't see how the majority of businesses which count on those games can hang on at Westgate, I don't see the continued development of Westgate and the surrounding area without a prosperous Westgate, and I don't see the plan B, backed by research that the majority of my fellow council members say can happen.

Councilmember Gary Sherwood

GLENDALE COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

- **Hello Kitty Festival Tickets Donated to Children's Summer Reading Program.** Tickets for the Hello Kitty Super Cute Friendship Festival at the Gila River Arena will be donated to Glendale libraries as a reward to participants in the summer reading program. Each of the three library branches will receive pairs of tickets to be raffled to participants who successfully complete the entire summer reading program. Ticket winners must be under 18 years of age and Glendale residents. For more information about Glendale's libraries and their array of programs, visit www.glendaleaz.com/library.
- **Westgate Wednesdays!** Come to the Westgate Entertainment District on Wednesday nights for free weekly summer fun! Enjoy music, games, prizes and dancing. Plus, meet your favorite film characters and get a free downloadable photo with them each week. Every week will offer a distinctive family-fun experience with different themes, unique games and new characters. The weekly Wednesday night events run from **June 3 - July 29 from 6 -7:30 p.m. at Westgate's Fountain Park.**
 July 15: Princess & Pirate Party with The Little Mermaid & Captain Jack
 July 22: Super Hero Sensation with Spider Man
 July 29: Frozen Fiesta with Anna and Elsa
- **Free Summer Band Concerts Bring Music to Downtown Glendale Summer Evenings.** The West Valley's favorite summer tradition takes place **each Thursday at 8 p.m. and runs through July 23**, in the Murphy Park Amphitheater, located at 58th and Glenn Dr. Music lovers of all ages will be entertained by this community band of approximately 100 musicians with its inspiring renditions of marches, polkas, movie medleys and other tunes from all over the world.
- **Exhibit from Behind the Badge Displayed At Gallery Glendale** - An exhibit of more than 28 compelling images of law enforcement and firefighters from across the state of Arizona, including Glendale Police and Fire departments, Ziemba's collection, "Stronger Than Steel: The Art of First Response - The Arizona Public Safety Collection", will be on display at **Gallery Glendale located inside Westgate, 9380 W. Westgate Blvd.**, in the month of July. Gallery Glendale is **free and open to the public on Fridays and Saturdays from 6 to 9 p.m.**
- **Glendale Splash Pads.** Cool off and have fun for FREE at one of Glendale's two splash pads! The location and hours of the two splash pads are:
Heroes Park Splash Pad - 83rd Ave. & Berridge Ln. (on 83rd Ave., just north of Bethany Home Rd.).
 ***May 23 - August 9: open daily from 11 a.m.-7 p.m.
 ***August 15 - September 7: open weekends only from 11 a.m.-6 p.m.
Sycamore Grove Park Splash Pad - 86th Lane and Emil Rovey Parkway.
 ***May 25 - September 7; open 6 a.m.-10 p.m.
- **"Be Glendale Monsoon Ready"** With the monsoon season officially upon us, Glendale 11 TV debuts "Monsoon: Eye on the Storm" to inform residents of important safety resources, featuring experts from the Glendale Fire and Police departments and features CBS 5 anchor Sean McLaughlin and the CBS 5 team of meteorologists. The show will air **each Wednesday night at 8:30 p.m.** and various times throughout the week.

ANTI-DISCRIMINATION ORDINANCE

The Glendale City Council has expressed specific interest in hearing feedback from Glendale residents. An ordinance, if adopted, would protect the rights of Glendale citizens and visitors from discrimination in employment, housing and public accommodations. The schedule for the public meetings are:

- **Saturday, July 25** (10 a.m.-12 p.m.) Foothills Branch Library, 19055 N. 57th Ave. Glendale, AZ 85308. Sign in begins at 9:30 a.m.
- **Thursday, July 30** (6 - 8 p.m.) Renaissance Glendale Hotel & Spa, 9495 W. Coyotes Blvd. Glendale, AZ 85305. Sign in begins at 5:30 p.m.

If you cannot attend any of the meetings but would like to offer input, you can leave comments on a recorded phone line at 623-930-2255 or email GlendaleFeedback@glendaleaz.com. Please know that all written and spoken

comments will become part of the official record of public input for this process. For more information, please contact the Glendale City Manager's Office at 623-930-2870.

GLENDALE PUBLIC SAFETY

- **Next Coffee with a Cop Gatherings:**
 - **Tuesday July 21st 6:00p @ Manuel's - 5670 W. Peoria Ave**
 - **Wednesday August 19th 9:00a Parson's Rest. - 5921 W Northern Ave**
 - **Wednesday August 19th 6:30p @ Dillon's BBQ - 20585 N 59th Ave**
- **STAYING ALIVE: CONTINUOUS CHEST COMPRESSIONS** When a person suffers cardiac arrest, a bystander's use of continuous chest compressions can increase the victim's chances of survival without the mouth-to-mouth breathing utilized in traditional CPR. Join us for a presentation and demonstration of this lifesaving technique. Presented by Ross Kosinski, Ph.D. of Midwestern University, and Janet Boberg, Ed.D., Glendale Fire Department. For more information, call 623-930-3868. Tuesday, July 21; 6:30 p.m. Roadrunner Room at the Foothills Branch Library
- **Tips to Safeguard Against Mosquito-Borne Illnesses.** With three months of monsoon activity still ahead of us this summer, the city of Glendale reminds residents to watch for standing water and to protect their homes and families against mosquitoes and diseases such as West Nile virus. Follow these essential preventive measures to fight the bite:
 - Mosquitoes breed in standing water and their eggs will hatch within days after it rains. Check your yard once a week and after it rains, get rid of containers that aren't being used, empty water from flower pots, change water in bird baths, and check for any leaky water equipment.
 - Report any pools in your neighborhood that are not being maintained properly. Occupied homes should be reported to Glendale's Code Compliance Division at 623-930-3610; unoccupied homes should be reported to the county at 602-506-0700.
 - Make a habit of using insect repellent when outdoors.
 - Prime mosquito-biting hours are usually dusk to dawn. Pay special attention to protection during these hours, or avoid being outdoors.

The Maricopa County Environmental Services Division monitors mosquito activity throughout the county. Residents can get more information or report issues to the county through a hotline, 602-506-0700, or online at www.maricopa.gov/wnv. Additional information and resources are available on Glendale's website, as well, at

<http://www.glendaleaz.com/environmentalresources/publichealth.cfm#WestNile>.

- **Hot Cars Can Kill** - Watch this public service video.
- **Heat Relief.** The following facilities will be open during normal hours of operation, **to any person or family seeking "respite and hydration"**: the lobby areas of the Glendale Adult Center, Foothills Recreation and Aquatics, the three libraries, the Communication Action Program office, and the lobby area of Community Housing. We will provide bottled water and place to cool off, if needed. If there are issues with homelessness or a need for utility assistance: Becky Daniel 623-930-2853) and the CAP staff will do their best to assist.
- **Glendale Police Promote A Summer Of Safety.** In an effort to keep our children safe this summer, the Glendale Police Department would like to inform parents and children about city ordinances that outline curfew for those under the age of 18. Juveniles under the age of 16 have a curfew of



10:00pm-5:00am. Those 16 and older have a curfew of 12:00am-5:00am. It is also a violation for a parent or guardian to allow a juvenile to violate the curfews that are in place.

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